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## GEORGE JARREL SHOT BY HUSBAND OF HIS DAUGHTER

John Ferguson Inflicts Wounds That Promise to Result Fatally.

At Glenhays, W. Va., ten miles southeast of Louisa last Saturday, George Jarrell was shot twice by his son-in-law, John Ferguson. He was brought to Riverview Hospital, Louisa, where it was found that one ball had passed through a kidney and the other a short distance below the heart. His condition is critical, but seems today as favorable as possible.

Ferguson fled and his wife, (age 19) has also disappeared, supposedly joining her husband.

The Wayne News gives the following particulars: Sheriff Cyrus, Deputy Sheriff Sam Kinsler and Prosecuting Attorney Ferguson investigated the murder and were told that Jarrell was passing down the road near the home of his daughter Saturday afternoon and seeing Ferguson whipping his wife (the daughter of Jarrell) he went in and ordered Ferguson to stop whipping his daughter and thus became engaged in the family brawl.

Ferguson told Jarrell, his father-in-law, to leave the house at once or he would be killed. Jarrell refused and was shot twice. Ferguson fled the community and so far had not been apprehended by the authorities. His wife has also left her home, supposedly to follow her husband. The three small children are being cared for by their grandmother, the wife of the man who was shot.

## District Sunday School Institute Held Here

The first Sunday School Institute in the Ashland district, M. E. Church South, was held at Louisa Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. A good program was offered, but the attendance was much smaller than it should have been.

Rev. B. N. Waterhouse, Special Field Secretary for three conferences, made a very interesting address at the first session. Also, F. M. Thornburg, Field Secretary, spoke well on how to grade one room schools. Rev. L. N. Fannin delivered a good talk on how to build up a Sunday school.

Miss Gertrude Campbell of Ashland made one of the best addresses of the entire meeting on training our leaders. Miss Georgia Kouns also was an interesting speaker.

Dr. Webb, President of Morris Harvey College, was present at two sessions and made a brief talk which was well received.

Most all the ministers present took part in the proceedings. Presiding Elder C. A. Slaughter was active in the proceedings the first day, but was compelled to return to Ashland that evening.

W. J. Vaughan visited the meeting and made a highly interesting and instructive speech, which was much appreciated. Mr. Thornburg spoke at each session with his usual enthusiasm and directness.

The following officers were elected: Prof. O. K. Campbell, Secretary-Treasurer; L. N. Fannin, Supt. Elementary Department; Miss Georgia Kouns, Supt. Int. Sen. Depts.; Prof. A. W. Glasgow, Supt. Y. P. and Adult Dept.; Miss Gertrude Campbell, Supt. T. T. Dept.; Miss Mae Smallridge, Supt. Miss Education.

Among those from out of town who attended were F. M. Thornburg, Huntington, W. Va., Sunday School Field Secretary, Western Virginia Conference; W. J. Vaughan, Field Worker of Kentucky; Dr. R. T. Webb, President Morris Harvey College, Barboursville, W. Va.; Rev. C. A. Slaughter, Presiding Elder, Ashland district; Rev. L. N. Fannin, pastor Centenary church, Ashland; Rev. S. J. Campbell, pastor Grandland Circuit, Callettsburg; Rev. S. S. Booth, pastor, Callettsburg; Rev. B. M. Waterhouse, Field Secretary, Huntington, W. Va.; E. T. Fowler, Beaver, Ohio; Rev. J. B. Farley, Buchanan; David Moore, Potter; Rev. Richey, Greenup; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Davis, Callettsburg; Miss Nannie Finney, Kavanagh; Miss Bevins and Miss Violet Walker, Pikeville; Mrs. Mollie Campbell, R. 1, Callettsburg; Misses Georgia Kouns and Gertrude F. Campbell, Ashland; First church; D. Mart Hager, Cliff; J. F. Hatten, Buchanan.

Miss Martha Roberts, who holds a position in Logan, W. Va., and was in Louisa last week, to attend Kentucky Normal College commencement exercises, left Saturday morning. She visited in Ashland before returning to Logan.

## A Callettsburg Woman Killed by Street Car

Mrs. Louise Clay, wife of John Clay, of Callettsburg, was struck by a street car Tuesday evening, dying from injuries ten minutes later.

Mr. and Mrs. Clay were on their way to South Side Pentecost church. At the Patton's Mill stop, they waited for the car. They were told they were on the wrong side of the street and Mr. Clay crossed the track to stop the car, which was within a few feet of him.

Mrs. Clay followed, crossing diagonally. The motorist applied the brakes when he saw her danger, but she was struck before the car could be stopped. Mrs. Clay received severe injuries on the head.

Mrs. Clay was born in Fleming county, Kentucky, in 1866. She has been a resident of Callettsburg for many years. She is survived by her husband, John Clay, and an adopted daughter.

## GLASS SAND IS FOUND AT LOUISA

Opportunity for Large New Industry Right at Our Door.

Prof. Charles Richardson, of Syracuse University, New York, was in Louisa Monday. He is using part of his vacation in geological research and was sent out by the Kentucky department to search for glass sands in Eastern Kentucky.

He found an enormous deposit of desirable sand in the river at Louisa, but there is a considerable amount of coal in small particles mixed with it. If this can be separated at nominal cost the supply is almost inexhaustible.

At several points along the river, from Pikeville to Zella, he found good sand. He says the opportunity for the manufacture of window glass and colored bottles at this place is very fine.

Also, it could be profitably shipped to plants already operating in West Virginia. Some of these plants are now paying \$2.50 per ton freight on sand, while the cost of transportation from here would be only 50 cents per ton.

This is a matter for the Board of Trade to take up at once, as it is possible to develop from it some very desirable enterprises.

## STREET PAVING WORK GOES ALONG

The street paving job in Louisa is getting under full headway. Excavation has been about completed the distance of four blocks. As soon as a cartload of cement arrives the curb and gutters will be put in. Slag has begun to arrive and will be put in place very soon.

Some delays have been occasioned by water lines that must be lowered to get below the foundation. Nearly all citizens show a disposition to cooperate in these details, but there are some not so disposed, a fact that is to be regretted in connection with a large public enterprise.

The width of the paving on Main Cross street between Main and Perry streets, as shown by the excavation, is bringing forth considerable comment from the citizens, who generally suggest that it is too narrow for a business street. These suggestions, we are informed, will be presented to the council at the regular meeting next Tuesday night. This may lead to widening the paving on other business sections that are liable to be congested on busy days and by the parking of automobiles. It is argued that the additional cost will be much less now than to widen the paving later on, when in so doing the curb and gutter would have to be torn out.

The dirt taken out of the streets so far has been deposited on adjacent property. The court house lot, always too low in places, is being filled with the dirt from Main Cross street.

The excavation already done reaches from Lock avenue to the Brunswick Hotel corner.

The comment of strangers as to what street paving will do for Louisa is very encouraging.

TEACHERS EXAMINATION. An examination for applicants for teachers certificates, both county and state, will be held in Louisa Friday and Saturday Aug. 6th and 7th.

REV. F. F. SHANNON. In our church column will be found a report of what Rev. Shannon said at a service at Chautauqua, New York, a few days ago.

J. M. Mounts has been sick for several days, but is now able to be on the streets again.

## PIKE CO. MINES FIRED UPON FROM WEST VIRGINIA

2000 Shots Fired by the Bolsheviks Who Are Terrorizing the Tug River Fields.

More unlawful shooting occurred this morning in Mingo county.

This time the Portsmouth Solvay plant at Freeborn, Ky., was made the point of attack.

The shooting was begun about six-thirty, and came from at least three general positions on the hillside of both West Virginia and Kentucky, one party of the shooters being located in the former state and two in the latter. Most of the shots are believed, however, to have been fired from the West Virginia side.

The shots were directed at the drum house and other portions of the Solvay plant.

Immediately after the shooting began employees about the plant returned the fire in the proportion, it is said, of about ten to one, and it is calculated that two thousand shots were fired altogether.

Roland Coleman, drum runner for the company, was struck by a bullet that passed through his shoulder and hit another man standing near him, but inflicted no injury upon the latter. Coleman is painfully but not seriously hurt.

Later in the day the shooting was begun again, much as in the first instance, except that it was all done from the West Virginia side.

Immediately upon learning of the trouble Judge Dameron sent a number of the state constabulary to the scene of the shooting on the West Virginia side with orders to see that there was no more of it. The constabulary were accompanied by Captain Muiliken and his bloodhounds, the force going up on train No. 2.

Reports from the scene say that the dogs soon picked up a track at the point whence shots were known to have been fired, and followed it to the river. There the maker of the track had taken a boat and crossed to the Kentucky side. After some time arrangements were made with the Kentucky officers for taking the dogs across into their territory, which was done. There the trail was again picked up, and at last accounts the dogs were following it into the mountains, and there is every prospect that the owner of the feet that made the trail will be overtaken and arrested.

It is said, indeed, that a number of those who did the shooting are known and that their arrest is a matter of a short time only. Many persons are said to have seen at least two of the men come down from the mountain side and cross into Kentucky.

Representatives of the contending sides both claim that the men seen leaving the place whence the shooting was done belong to the other side—the operators that they are Mine Workers on strike; friends of the Mine Workers that they are Kentucky deputy sheriffs.

A late telephone message from Freeborn brings information that at least one of the parties who did the shooting from the hillside was killed by the return fire.

The Freeborn plant has been running all day despite the excitement attendant upon the shooting.

The fact that such unlawful shooting should have occurred in Mingo county despite the presence of the constabulary adds to the seriousness of the situation, and is a matter of grave concern to those charged with the duty of maintaining order.

Superintendent Bailey, of the Solvay plant at Freeborn, reports that he has received a number of letters recently, warning him to keep under cover today.—Williamson News.

## AUTOMOBILE TURNS OVER AND INJURES THE OCCUPANTS

Robert J. Wurst and wife, accompanied by Miss Worley and two other young ladies drove to Louisa Tuesday from Ashland. Returning on the West Virginia side in the evening the car, a large Haines, turned over at Hubardsburg and landed upside down. One of the young ladies was pinned under the car and the top was cut away to release her, but she was not injured.

Miss Worley was severely cut about the head, having jumped from the car and struck her head against a rock. Mr. and Mrs. Wurst are said to have been painfully bruised and cut. The other occupants also were hurt more or less.

The 6:20 N. & W. train took them to a hospital at Ironton. The car has not yet been rescued from its position.

The accident occurred at a very sharp angle in the road, where all automobiles find difficulty in getting by. The Wayne county authorities have had their attention called to this dangerous place several times.

Mr. Wurst is from Lexington, but now resides in Ashland.

## Mr. Hardin Dies at Age of Eighty-Six

Harvey Hardin, Sr., died last Saturday at his home seven miles south of Louisa, at the advanced age of 86 years. He had been in feeble health for several months. Previous to that time he had been quite active for a man of his years.

Mr. Hardin was a good man in every way and has gone to his reward. He was honest, industrious, frugal, and God-fearing. His aged wife, near the same age, survives him, and a number of sons and daughters. Mr. Hardin came from Martin to Lawrence county several years ago, and bought the old McClure homestead, where he spent his last days.

## VISITING LOUISA AFTER 27 YEARS ABSENCE

Hovey H. Tislow, wife, daughter and stepson, Dennis, drove into Louisa Wednesday evening for a visit of two days. It has been 27 years since Mr. and Mrs. Tislow were in Louisa. He was connected with Conley's jewelry store in the early nineties, and is favorably remembered by many people here, all of whom are glad to see him and his family again. Mr. Tislow has for many years owned a good jewelry store in his home town of Petersburg, Indiana, and has prospered. His daughter is a talented singer and was recently graduated from the Boston Conservatory of Music.

## MAN KILLED IN WAYNE CO., W. VA.

Fred Cooksey Shot Lawrence Curnutte, Veteran of the World War.

Lawrence Curnutte, a popular young man of Radnor, who served his country in France during the World War, was shot and killed by Fred Cooksey, a young man of the same place, last Friday evening.

It seems that Cooksey had some difficulty with Elisha Curnutte, father of the veteran, and that the boy imagined that the son would take up his father's quarrel and attempt to punish him. The boy secured a pistol and when he met Elisha Curnutte at the railroad station Friday evening deliberately shot him. It is said, he lived only a few minutes after having been shot. Cooksey made his escape, but relatives induced him to give himself up and sent for Sheriff Cyrus, who conveyed him to the county jail at Wayne.

Another Account. The above is from the Ceredo Advance. The following is from the Wayne News:

Lawrence Curnutte, age 24, son of Elisha Curnutte and a wounded veteran of the late war, was shot down and killed at Radnor on last Friday evening by Fred Cooksey who is now behind the bars of Wayne jail awaiting indictment and trial.

The shooting, which took place at Radnor station, is said to have been the result of differences between Cooksey and the father of the man he shot. There were several eye witnesses of the shooting who say that when the two men met on the railroad track Cooksey ordered Curnutte to throw up his hands, which he did, with the exclamation, "For God's sake don't shoot me." The fatal shot was fired an instant afterward and the ex-soldier dropped to the ground dead with a bullet hole through his chest.

County officials were notified and Sheriff Cyrus and deputies began the trail of Cooksey Saturday morning. It was learned that Cooksey had left the county and hedged himself in the hills of Kentucky about fifteen miles back of Louisa. On the promises of the Sheriff to protect him from mob vengeance, relatives of Cooksey agreed to take the sheriff to his hiding place.

The sheriff found Cooksey on Morgan creek in Lawrence county, Kentucky, and after a talk with him the accused man agreed to meet the officials the following day and surrender himself. He came to Callettsburg the next day (Sunday) and was taken in custody by Sheriff Cyrus who brought him to Wayne county jail Monday morning.

Cooksey has requested that he be indicted and given trial at next term of circuit court, which convenes August 9th. Prosecuting Attorney Ferguson is now making arrangements for the trial. Cooksey suggested to the officials that he would enter a plea of self-defense. He has secured as counsel Attorneys John Marcum, of Huntington, and Fred Vinson, of Louisa.

Cooksey and Curnutte both lived in the vicinity of Radnor. Curnutte served with the American Expeditionary Forces in France during the war. He was severely gassed in battle and at the time he was killed Friday evening he was on his way to Wayne to consult Dr. G. R. Burgess who has given him treatment since his discharge from service. Curnutte was one of the wounded veterans of the county whose claims for compensation are now pending action by the War Department through the American Legion and Red Cross.

## EASTERN STATE NORMAL SETS ENROLLMENT MARK

The record enrollment of teachers in the summer school at the Eastern State Normal, Richmond, which just closed, was reached this year with 425 in attendance. Last year there were 403. There were 261 in 1918 and 369 in 1917.

## SOLDIERS SENT INTO TUG VALLEY TO PATROL BORDER

Kentucky and West Virginia Governors Decide to Co-operate in Matter.

Frankfort, Ky., July 26.—Soldiers of Kentucky and West Virginia will establish a neutral zone between the warring coal-mining factions along Tug Fork of the Big Sandy, which separates Pike county, Kentucky, from Mingo county, West Virginia.

Adlt. Gen. J. M. DeWesse left tonight for Williamson, W. Va., to meet Governor Cornwell of that State and arrange a policy of close co-operation between the guardsmen on both banks of the stream to prevent further shooting across the State line.

This plan of action was agreed on by Governors Morrow and Cornwell, who held a short conference yesterday in Charleston, W. Va., where Mr. Morrow stopped on his way to the notification of Governor Cornwell.

Mr. Morrow was disinclined to send State troops when he left here, because he believed their presence might aggravate the situation insofar as the exchange of shots was concerned, especially if West Virginia troops were stationed opposite them. The Governors, however, decided that the situation might be handled by arranging the closest kind of co-operation between the two forces.

Kentuckians to Number 50.

Fifty men will be sent by Kentucky to the scene of trouble. Equipment will be furnished by the Federal Government. Troops will not be sent until after the conference in Williamson tomorrow. Kentucky now has two troops of cavalry, one at Louisville and one at London and Manchester, and a company of infantry at Morehead, recognized by the Federal Government and ready for their equipment.

Tug Fork forms the State line from Martin county between Pike and Mingo counties for a distance of more than thirty miles. Its banks on both sides are dotted with coal mines and tipple. Near DeLorm, the Solvay plant carries coal in buckets across the river to the tipple in West Virginia. It was in this vicinity that the biggest battle occurred Friday. The point is about sixteen miles above Williamson, opposite the mouth of Pond Creek.

At Borderland, where the Borderland Coal Company operates, about seven miles below Williamson, there has been trouble. The soldiers will have a territory about twenty-five miles long to protect.

It is only around the mines, however, that there has been trouble and the soldiers will not have the entire zone to patrol.

Pond Creek Trouble Center.

The Pond Creek district apparently is the center of disturbance. There an attempt is being made in Kentucky to unionize a group of mines, extending up the creek along a branch railroad. Some shooting has occurred at Leckyville, almost opposite Williamson.

West Virginia mines are unionized, while those on the Kentucky side are not. It was at Matewan, W. Va., on Tug Fork, about midway between Pond Creek and DeLorm, that 10 men were killed in a clash between miners and police during a recent strike.

The soldiers probably will act independently of the local authorities in both States and devote their entire attention to preventing further guerrilla warfare back and forth across Tug Fork. As at present indicated, the labor situation will be disregarded by them as far as possible.

Permission for the Kentucky troops to pass through West Virginia to eliminate a march of twenty-five miles overland was granted today by Mr. Cornwell.

## A MOVEMENT TO ORGANIZE A BAND

The need of a good brass band has been felt in Louisa for quite a long time. The demand is frequent at home and in nearby towns. We have heard this suggestion several times lately and we are informed that citizens have consulted Prof. L. A. Saucier, of the Kentucky Normal College, about it. He is competent to instruct a band and is willing to do so if an organization of earnest workers can be secured and the business men will lend their aid.

Col. Reed, who was here this week to muster in the troop of cavalry, heard of the matter and urged that it be put under way at once, saying that the military department would encourage the movement in every possible way.

Let some one take it up at once. The Board of Trade will no doubt help to push it along.

## RELATIVE OF PRESIDENT DIES IN ASHLAND

Ashland, Ky.—Mrs. Charles F. Higgins, wife of Judge Higgins, died after a lingering illness at her home here Monday. Her grandfather was an own cousin of President Wilson. Besides her husband she is survived by one little son and two daughters. She will be buried at Huntington, W. Va.

## Some Oil News of the Local Field

The Wm. Justice well near Mt. Pleasant school house, two miles below Louisa, will make from four to five barrels.

The last well on L. S. Alley's farm will be ready for casing the last of this week.

Marlin & Mitchell's well at Busseyville was very much improved by shooting and now looks like it will be about an average producer for that field.

The Richmond Drilling company has sold one drilling outfit to the Cumberland Petroleum company and it will be taken from Fallsburg to Magoffin county.

The well on J. W. Akers farm across the river from Richardson is a gasser.

The Upper Blaine Field.

Well No. 1 on John Gilliam's farm on Keston was drilled in Wednesday. Conflicting reports have been received, one report saying it is a small producer and another that it is a big well.

Trading in royalties has been very active in the Blaine field lately and prices are high.

Johnson and Magoffin.

Development is going forward very rapidly in these fields. Big wells are coming in with pleasing regularity and excitement is running high. It is a great field.

## WEST VIRGINIA MEN LYNCH WIFE SLAYER

Prisoners Taken From Jail and Hanged to Tree By Mob

Charleston, W. Va.—William Bennett, Jr., of Fayetteville, who confessed last Thursday that he had murdered his wife on June 17, and who was sentenced to life imprisonment in the State Penitentiary, was taken from the Fayette county jail in that city by masked men at 2 o'clock Sunday morning, carried about three miles into the country and hanged.

The lynching party, consisting of more than 75 persons, went to Fayetteville in automobiles shortly after midnight, 18 or 20 automobiles being used. The crowd was silent as it awaited the delivery of young Bennett from the jail.

Four men went to the jail and told the jailer, Charles Huddleston, that he was wanted immediately at the Sheriff's office. Without suspecting what was wanted he locked the jail and hastened to the Sheriff's office.

Upon reaching the courthouse he was met by four masked men, who "covered" him with revolvers, took him into the courthouse corridor, disarmed him and took away his keys to the jail. Three of the four then guarded him, while the other took the keys and entered the jail.

Little time was passed in the jail, and the one man soon appeared with Bennett. He was placed in an automobile and the procession hastened into the country.

Plans for the hanging had been prepared in advance. Young Bennett was hanged from a scantling in an oak tree.

Shortly after the lynchers had left Fayetteville, warning of what was taking place was given to Sheriff Henry McGraw, who hastily organized a posse and started by automobile after the mob. Three miles in the country they found the body of Bennett hanging from the tree, but the lynchers had disappeared.

Mrs. Della Bennett, the young wife of Bennett, and a daughter of J. Alfred Taylor, was murdered, according to the confession of her husband, on the afternoon of June 17 in their home about two miles from Fayetteville. Bennett was a son of Judge William Bennett, of Fayetteville.

The prominence of the Bennett and Taylor families and the popularity of the young couple gave unusual interest even to such a tragedy. The Bennetts had been married less than a year.

\$15,000 Reward. Charleston, W. Va., July 28.—Fifteen thousand dollars reward is offered by authorities of Fayetteville and relatives of the late William Bennett, Jr., of Fayetteville, who was lynched by a mob of 100 persons Sunday morning, for information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons taking part in the lynching. It was announced today.

Of this amount \$5,000 is offered by Sheriff Henry McGraw, of Fayetteville, \$5,000 by Edward Bloom, brother-in-law of young Bennett, and \$5,000 by Edward Bennett, Sr., father of the lynched man, and former judge of the criminal court of Fayette-co.

REVIVAL MEETINGS. The evangelistic services continue in Fort Gay with good interest and large attendance. Rev. V. A. Nanna, conference evangelist, is doing the preaching. The meeting will continue through next week.

Evangelist Nanna expects to conduct a meeting in "the Point" after the close of the one being held in Ft. Gay. It will begin Wednesday, August 11.

CHILD DIES OF PNEUMONIA. Edith, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Hatten, of Kenova, W. Va., died after an illness of three days with pneumonia. Four brothers and two sisters survive.